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LETTER DATED 15 SEPTEMBER 1995 FROM THE CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF YUGOSLAVIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Upon instructions of my Government, I am writing to you to convey the strong protest concerning the latest violations of the territorial integrity of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

According to the information of the Army of Yugoslavia, on 11 September 1995 from 9.06 to 9.10 a.m., the airspace above the territorial waters of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia was violated in the area of Petrovac/Bar. The helicopter, seemingly a North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) surveillance aircraft, penetrated 8 to 10 km into Yugoslav territory, at an altitude of 1,200 metres, flying at 250 km/hour, making a right turn before leaving Yugoslav airspace.

On the same day, at 10.45 a.m., two soldiers of the United Nations mission deployed in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia made an incursion approximately 300 metres into Yugoslav territory in the area of the Brezovica border post (municipality of Urosevac). They justified their incursion by saying that they allegedly did not know where the border was and that the Lake of Strbac, where they crossed over, was in Macedonian territory. Their request to be picked up by the United Nations helicopter, which in the meantime approached the border on the Macedonian side, was not granted by the Yugoslav army border units. the United Nations soldiers were then sent across the borderline into the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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